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[Carter, J.R.]FOR FARM FAMILY OF THE WEEKDATE Nov. 18, 1955

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CAMERA ON LANGFITT

SLIDE FARM-1
HOUSE

I AM VERY MUCH INDEBTED TO MR. LEWIS GARRISON, COUNTY AGENT OF SHARKEY COUNTY AND HIS VERY ABLE ASSISTANT, GEORGE BERRY, FOR THEIR WONDERFUL HELP IN SELECTING TODAY'S FARM FAMILY. THIS IS THE STORY OF MR. AND MRS. J.R. CARTER AND THEIR THREE WONDERFUL CHILDREN, REBECCA, RICHARD AND MARTHA. JIMMY DICK CARTER OPERATES THE CARTER BROTHERS FARM CONSISTING OF 1088 ACRES. 640 OF IT THEY OWN, THE REST THEY RENT. MR. AND MRS. CARTER LIVE IN THIS LOVELY HOME WITH MR. CARTER'S MOTHER. THEY PLAN TO BUILD THEIR OWN HOME IN THE NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE. WHEN JIMMY DICK WAS 15 YEARS OLD HIS FATHER PASSED AWAY AND HE WAS THE ONLY ONE LEFT AT HOME TO KEEP THE PLACE GOING. JIMMY DICK FARMED THE LAND UNTIL HIS BROTHER WALLACE, WHO WAS IN THE NAVY, RETURNED FROM SERVICE AND FINISHED A SEMESTER OF COLLEGE HE LACKED BEFORE GRADUATION. WHEN WALLACE RETURNED FROM COLLEGE HE TOOK OVER OPERATION OF THE FARM WHILE JIMMY DICK WENT TO MISSISSIPPI STATE. JIMMY DICK CARTER FINISHED COLLEGE IN 1950, MARRIED HIS HIGH SCHOOL SWEETHEART, MISS LETA WELLS OF ROLLING FORK, AND THEY CAME BACK TO THE FARM TO CARRY ON THE FARM OPERATION.

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SLIDE FARM-2
OFFICESLIDE FARM-3
AREAL MAPSLIDE FARM-4
COTTON

FOR TWO YEARS JIMMY DICK OPERATED THE FARM AND TAUGHT A VETERANS FARM CLASS. IN 1952 JIMMY AND HIS BROTHER WALLACE DECIDED THAT WHILE THEY WOULD OPERATE THE FARM AS CARTER BROTHERS, ONLY ONE OF THEM WOULD DO THE FARM WORK. WALLACE HAD GRADUATED IN ENGINEERING SO HE QUIT ACTIVE FARMING AND WENT TO WORK IN THE ENGINEERING FIELD. JIMMY DICK GAVE UP HIS VETERANS FARM CLASS AND DEVOTED FULL TIME TO THE FARM PROGRAM. THIS OFFICE THE BROTHERS BUILT SERVES AS AN OFFICE FOR EACH OF THEM AND MANY HOURS ARE SPENT HERE PLANNING THE FARM PROGRAM AND KEEPING ACCURATE RECORDS ON ITS OPERATION. ONE OF THE THINGS IN THIS OFFICE THAT HAS BEEN MOST HELPFUL TO JIMMY DICK IS THIS LARGE AREAL MAP OF THE FARM. YOU WILL NOTE THAT THE AREA TO THE RIGHT OF CENTER IS THE TOWN OF ROLLING FORK. BY USING THIS MAP JIMMY DICK CARTER CAN LAY OUT A CONTOUR OF HIS FIELDS AND MAKE HIS PLANS ACCORDINGLY. WHEN JIMMY DICK FIRST DEVOTED HIS FULL TIME TO FARMING THEIR PRINCIPAL FARM ENTERPRISES WERE COTTON, CORN AND A FEW COWS. COTTON IS STILL IMPORTANT TO THE FARM PROGRAM TODAY, BUT NOT NEARLY SO MUCH SO AS A FEW YEARS AGO.

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IN FACT THIS YEAR HAS DEMONSTRATED TO JIMMY CARTER HOW WISE HE HAS BEEN TO DIVERSIFY HIS FARM PROGRAM. I THINK THIS PICTURE TELLS A GRAPHIC STORY OF WHAT HAPPENED IN SHARKEY COUNT THIS YEAR. COUNTY AGENT GARRISON AND JIMMY DICK POINT OUT THE LACK OF TOP CROP IN THIS COTTON FIELD. CONTINUOUS AND HEAVY RAINS AT THE CRITICAL TIME PREVENTED THEIR KEEPING UP WITH THE BOLL WEEVIL CROP AND THEIR WAS NO WAY ON EARTH TO CONTROL THEM. THE RESULT IS TH INSTEAD OF A BALE AND A HALF TO TWO BALES PER ACRE, THEIR CROP THIS YEAR IS A HALF BALE OR LESS. JIMMY DICK CARTER PRACTICES THE BEST POSSIBLE INSECT CONTROL MEASURES. COTTON IS POISONED EARLY AS IT IS CULTIVATED AND LATER BY PLANE. AS SOON AS HARVESTING IS COMPLETED THIS FURTHER INSECT CONTROL MEASURE IS APPLIED AS THE COTTON STALKS ARE SHREDDED AND DISCED UNDER TO DETROY WINTER HIBERNATION FOR THE ADULT WEEVIL. ALL COTTON IS FERTILIZED WITH ANHYDROUS AMONIA AS IS CORN. SOLID FERTILIZER IS PUT UNDER OATS. ALL COTTON IS PLANTED IN THE DRILL AND THEN CROSS CULTIVATED. IN THIS MANNER JIMMY DICK CUTS HIS HOEING BILL IN HALF. THIS 6,000 GALLON ANHYDROUS TANK MAKES IT

SLIDE FARM-5
CHOPPING STALKS

SLIDE FARM-6
ANHYDROUS TANK

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<p>SLIDE <u>FARM-7</u> TRACTOR & SHED</p>	<p>POSSIBLE TO HAVE PLENTY OF ANHYDROUS AMONIA ON HAND WHEN IT IS NEEDED. JIMMY DICK CARTER IS A COMPLETELY MECHANIZED FARMER, EXCEPT FOR HOEING FOR GRASS CONTROL HE HARVESTS 75 PERCENT OF HIS COTTON BY MACHINE. HE HAS 9 TRACTORS, A COMBINE, PASTURE CLIPPER AND STALK CUTTER, ONE ROW CORN PICKER, AUTOMATIC HAY BALER, SUB-SOILER, ANHYDROUS RIG, COMPLETE FOUR-ROW CULTIVATING EQUIPMENT AND JUST ABOUT ANYTHING ELSE HE COULD POSSIBLY NEED. IN ADDITION HE HAS A COMPLETE FARM WORKSHOP WHERE ALL EQUIPMENT IS MAINTAINED IN TOP KNOTCH CONDITION. A YOUNGER BROTHER WILL SOON FINISH AT MISSISSIPPI STATE, AND AMONG OTHER THINGS HE WILL MOST LIKELY TAKE OVER MANAGEMENT OF THE FARM WORKSHOP FROM A START WITH 25 HEAD OF COMMERCIAL CATTLE JIMMY DICK CARTER TODAY HAS A HERD OF 140 HEAD, CONSISTING OF 90 BROOD COWS, TWO REGISTERED HERD BULLS AND AND 48 CALVES AND REPLACEMENT HEIFERS. JIMMY DICK IS BUILDING TOWARD A 200 HEAD HERD. HE SELLS HIS CALVES AS MILK FAT CALVES. HE GETS ABOUT AN 80 PERCENT CALF CROP AND IF A COW DOESN'T DROP A CALF HE GETS RID OF HER. ALL COWS HAVE A BRAND AND AN EAR TAG AND ACCURATE RECORDS ARE KEPT ON EACH ONE.</p>
<p>SLIDE <u>FARM-8</u> FARM WORKSHOP</p>	
<p>SLIDE <u>FARM-9</u> COWS</p>	
<p>SLIDE <u>FARM-10</u> BULL & COWS</p>	

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SLIDE FARM-11
PASTURE

SLIDE FARM-12
HAY

SLIDE FARM-13
HOGS & CORN

ALL ANIMALS ARE CALFHOOD VACCINATED AND EVERY ANIMAL IS VACCINATED FOR ANTHRAX AND BLACKLEG EACH SPRING. ALL STEER MONEY IS TURNED BACK INTO QUALITY BULLS AND HEIFERS. ALL CATTLE ARE SPRAYED EVERY TWO WEEKS FOR PARASITE CONTROL. GRAIN AND HAY ARE FED ONLY IN THE WINTER. THE CATTLE ARE TURNED INTO SOME CORN FIELDS AFTER HARVEST TO PICK UP THE WASTE GRAIN. THE CATTLE PROGRAM IS BASED PRIMARILY ON GOOD PASTURE. JIMMY DICK HAS 160 ACRES IN PERMANENT PASTURE CONSISTING OF BERMUDA, FESCUE AND RED CLOVER. FOR TEMPORARY GRAZING JIMMY GRAZES ABOUT 50 ACRES OF OATS AND GRAZES THE SOYBEAN FIELDS BEHIND THE COMBINE. HE RAISES ABOUT 300 ACRES OF SOYBEANS WHICH AVERAGES ABOUT 30 BUSHELS TO THE ACRE. JIMMY DICK PRODUCES HAY PRIMARILY AS INSURANCE. USUALLY HE DOESN'T NEED IT FOR FEED. HIS HAY CROPS CONSIST OF ALFALFA AND BARLEY, ABOUT 45 ACRES OF EACH. HE HAS 125 ACRES OF OATS WHICH IS HARVESTED FOR GRAIN FOR HOME USE AND FOR SALE. ANOTHER IMPORTANT PART OF THE FARM PROGRAM IS HOG PRODUCTION. JIMMY DICK STARTED RAISING HOGS IN 1949 WITH 25 HEAD. HE HAS GREATLY EXPANDED SINCE THAT TIME. ABOUT 70 ACRES OF CORN ARE

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SLIDE FARM-14
HOGS

SLIDE FARM-15
FARROWING HOUSE

SLIDE FARM-16
FARROWING CRATE

USED IN TWO WAYS, HARVESTED FOR FEED GRAIN AND HOGGED OFF IN THE FIELD. ABOUT 35 ACRES IS HARVESTED IN THIS WAY. HIS CORN YIELDED OVER 100 BUSHEL TO THE ACRE THIS YEAR. JIMMY DICK CARTER RECENTLY SOLD 100 HEAD OF SHOATS AND NOW HAS 75 HEAD ON THE FARM. IT IS A COMMERCIAL HERD OF DUROCS ALL SUBJECT TO REGISTER. THE HOGS ARE FED ON EAR CORN, CRUSHED BARLEY AND NECESSARY SUPPLEMENT. THEY ARE FED OUT TO ABOUT 200 POUNDS OR SEVEN MONTHS OF AGE. HE SAVES HIS OWN GILTS AND BUYS A FEW REPLACEMENTS. JIMMY DICK HAS RECENTLY BUILT A FARROWING HOUSE FROM SCRAP LUMBER. HE BUILT IT TO TRY TO INCREASE THE SIZE OF THE LITTERS. HE HAS 25 BROOD SOWS AND NOW GETS AN AVERAGE OF SEVEN PIGS TO THE LITTER. THIS FARROWING HOUSE WILL HOLD AS MANY AS SEVEN SOWS AT A TIME. INSIDE THE HOUSE JIMMY HAS BUILT 4 OF THESE PORTABLE FARROWING CRATES. I SAY THEY ARE PORTABLE BECAUSE THEY ARE SET ON A CONCRETE FLOOR THAT ALLOWS MAXIMUM SANITATION AND THEY CAN BE EASILY SHIFTED TO ACCOMODATE MORE CRATES IF THEY ARE NEEDED. THE SOWS ARE PIACED IN THESE CRATE ABOUT TWO OR THREE DAYS BEFORE FARROWING, THOROUGHLY WASHED AND KEPT THAT WAY THROUGH THE

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<p>SLIDE <u>FARM-17</u> <u>SUB SOILER</u></p> <p>SLIDE <u>FARM-18</u> <u>W-DITCH</u></p> <p>SLIDE <u>FARM-19</u> <u>V-DITCH</u></p> <p>SLIDE <u>FARM-20</u> <u>CANAL</u></p>	<p>FARROWING PERIOD. TWICE EACH DAY THE SOW IS LET OUT TO GET FEED, EXERCISE AND WATER. ALL PIGS ARE VACCINATED FOR CHOLERA AT 8 WEEKS OF AGE AND PIGS ARE WORMED WHEN THEY ARE WEANED AND AGAIN BEFORE THEY GO TO MARKET. IN ADDITION TO BUILDING HIS OWN FARROWING HOUSE AND CRATES JIMMY DICK CARTER HAS ALSO BUILT AUTOMATIC SELF FEEDERS AND THE ONLY THING HE HAS PURCHASED FOR HIS HOG PROGRAM IS AUTOMATIC WATERERS. IN HIS EFFORTS TO GET MAXIMUM PRODUCTION FROM HIS LAND JIMMY DICK CARTER SUB SOILS ALL SANDY LOAM SOIL TO BREAK THE HARDPAN AND STORE MUCH NEEDED MOISTURE IN THE GROUND. HE HAS A COMPLETE DRAINAGE PROGRAM ON HIS LAND. PROBABLY THE MOST SUCCESSFUL TYPE HE USES IS THE W-DITCH SHOWN HERE. JIMMY OPERATES HIS FARM UNDER A SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE FARM PLAN AND IS NOT ONLY PUTTING EVERY ACRE TO ITS BEST POSSIBLE USE BUT IS EMPLOYING EVERY MEANS POSSIBLE TO IMPROVE THE LAND AT THE SAME TIME. ANOTHER TYPE OF DRAINAGE EFFECTIVELY USED ON THE FARM IS THE WELL-KNOWN V-DITCH WHICH IS EMPLOYED WHERE MOST PRACTICAL. ALL THE LAND DRAINS FROM THE W AND V DITCHES INTO THIS DRAINAGE CANAL WHICH SINCE IT WAS DUG HAS PREVENTED OVERFLOW OF</p>

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SLIDE FARM-21
TANK & PUMP

A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF LAND WHICH USED TO FLOOD ALMOST EVERY YEAR. JIMMY DICK CARTER USES ELECTRICITY IN MANY WAYS ON HIS FARM. AT HIS HOME HE IS SERVED BY THE MISSISSIPPI POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY, ON THE FARM AREA HE IS SERVED BY RURAL ELECTRICITY FROM THE TWIN COUNTY ELECTRIC POWER ASSOCIATION IN HOLLANDALE. RURAL ELECTRICITY PROVIDES A CONSTANT WATER SUPPLY IN ALL HOG AND CATTLE PASTURES BY USE OF AUTOMATIC ELECTRIC PUMPS INSTALLED OVER INDIVIDUAL WELLS LOCATED IN THESE PASTURES. BESIDES CROPS AND LIVESTOCK, FOOD FOR FAMILY USE IS A MIGHTY IMPORTANT PART OF THIS FAMILY'S FARM AND HOME PROGRAM. THIS TURNIP AND MUSTARD GREEN PATCH IS ONLY A SMALL PART OF ABOUT 3 ACRES OF GARDEN SPACE. MRS. CARTER FREEZES ABOUT 2000 POUNDS OF MEAT AND VEGETABLES EVERY YEAR AND THE FARM PROVIDES FOOD FOR THREE FAMILIES. IN ADDITION THERE ARE 40 LAYING HENS FOR HOME USE, FOUR COWS ARE MILKED IN A MODERN DAIRY BARN THAT WOULD QUALIFY FOR ANY GRADE "A" DAIRY PROGRAM AND ALL MILK IS PASTEURIZED FOR HOME USE IN THEIR FARM PASTEURIZER. THEY HAVE 33 PECAN TREES AND A FEW APPLE TREES WHICH PROVIDE SOME OF THE FRUIT PRESERVED FOR HOME USE

SLIDE FARM-22
GARDEN

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SLIDE FARM-23
JIMMY & RECORDS

SLIDE FARM-24
MRS. & CHILDREN

CAMERA ON FAMILY

AUDIO

WORK IS NEVER DONE ON THIS FARM AS IT SELDOM IS ON ANY FARM. MANY LONG HOURS ARE SPENT BY JIMMY DICK, IN THE OFFICE, POURING OVER RECORDS AND MAKING PLANS FOR THE FUTURE. CHARMING MRS. CARTER'S PRINCIPAL TASK AND JOY ARE HER THREE LOVELY CHILDREN. HER RESPONSIBILITY IS TO HER HUSBAND AND HER CHILDREN AND SHE MAKES IT A FULL TIME JOB...A JOB WHICH SHE LOVES DOING. HOWEVER, BOTH MR AND MRS. CARTER FIND TIME TO DEVOTE THEIR EFFORTS TO THEIR COMMUNITY AND THEIR COUNTY. MRS. CARTER IS COUNSELOR FOR THE GIRLS AUXILIARY OF THE ROLLING FORK BAPTIST CHURCH WHERE THEY HAVE THEIR MEMBERSHIP AND ALSO SINGS IN THE CHURCH CHOIR. SHE IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE ROLLING FORK HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB. JIMMY DICK CARTER IS A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER, CHAIRMAN OF THE LORD'S SUPPER COMMITTEE OF HIS CHURCH, A ROTARIAN, SECRETARY AND DIRECTOR OF THE SHARKEY COUNTY FARM BUREAU AND A COMMUNITY COMMITTEEMAN OF THE KKKKKK A.S.C. BOTH JIMMY DICK CARTER AND HIS LOVELY WIFE GIVE MUCH OF THE CREDIT FOR THEIR HAPPINESS AND SUCCESS TO JIMMY'S MOTHER, IN WHOSE HOME THEY LIVE. THEY BOTH SAY SHE HAS BEEN THE INSPIRATION THEY HAVE NEEDED TO KEEP WORKING TOWARD BETTER

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DAYS. JIM'S MOTHER AND HIS LOVELY WIFE BOTH
LIKE TO SEW AND THEY BOTH LOVE FLOWERS AND
MANY PLEASANT HOURS ARE SPENT TOGETHER IN THIS
WAY. BECAUSE WE HAVE TOLD YOU MUCH OF THE STORY
OF JIMMY DICK AND LETA CARTER, I'D LIKE YOU FIRST
TO MEET JIMMY'S VERY CHARMING MOTHER.